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WE would call the earnest attention of
the students to the poor support which
they are giving to the TABLET in way of
subscriptions. Every man should subscribe,
especially the Freshmen who are more back-
ward than any previous class.

WHEELMEN, where are you? What,
no race, no club, no marshaling bugle
for a run? Yet there are as many bicycles
in Trinity as in any other college in propor-
tion to its size. Often have we spoken on
this "bike" theme, and now once more we
cry awake and mount 'ere the perfect days of
this New England Indian Summer be cleared
away by old Jack Frost and the howling wind
we know too well.

TRINITY may well feel proud of her
record on the tennis court. The recent
victory of our team over Amherst in both the

single and double contests, does not leave a
shadow of doubt in our minds as to the
expediency of paying a good deal of atten-
tion to this branch of athletics. Tennis, as
we remarked in our last number, is a game
in which luck does not claim the principal
share in deciding the merits of different play-
ers. Endurance certainly has as much to do
with the result as anything else, and we were
particularly struck with the careful and steady-
way in which our teams played in the last
tournament. The result was even more
favorable than we expected, and we believe
that if the same policy of playing carefully is
kept up, Trinity may have more than one
victory to record after the tennis season is
over.

THE tennis games with Amherst are over
and the heart of the Trinity man rejoices
and grows bold; as well it might. It was a
victory well taken, and urges us on to further
effort. We believe that games are to be
arranged if possible with Yale and Brown.
This causes us to reiterate a plan which the
TABLET has always been forward in pro-
posing; it is that there should be formed an
Inter-collegiate Lawn Tennis Association.
The games between ourselves and Amherst
have been extremely interesting and there
have been many pleasant features connected
with them. They have been beneficial in
showing us the real strength of our teams.
Moreover the styles of playing displayed a
marked contrast. The Amherst men exhibit-
ed some very brilliant and almost phenomenal
plays, especially at the net, while our men won
their games by superior service and placing
of the balls.

There is no reason why the principal New
England colleges should not play rival games
every fall and spring. To do this properly
and facilitate matters, it is of course necessary
to have in existence some such organization as
an Inter-collegiate Association, which we
hope to see formed before spring.

THE fall meeting of the Athletic Association has been held since our last number, and was, on the whole, a great success. It is to be regretted that the running track was not in better condition for the meeting, as it undoubtedly prevented better time being made in several of the events. The throwing of the base ball was perhaps the best record made, while the distance cleared in some of the jumps was certainly very creditable to the competitors in those events. As this was merely the preliminary meeting, some excellent records may be expected from Trinity's athletes not only at the spring meeting, but also at the inter-collegiate games at Mott Haven.

We are glad to see that so much interest is taken by the students in general in the athletics of the college, and we hope that this enthusiasm will not die out with the coming of winter, but increase and incite more men to train for positions on the college athletic teams.

WE believe it to be the province of an editor above all others, to correct false impressions which may exist in the minds of men, either through ignorance or through a malicious disposition, and also to scatter abroad the germs of truth, which his mighty intellect is alone supposed to be able to ferret out. We therefore feel it to be our present duty to do all in our power to correct two very opposite yet erroneous impressions which we occasionally hear from outsiders concerning our Alma Mater. To us they seem ridiculous. Some people judging either from the name of the college or from the fact of its being a Church institution, have thought that it was a divinity school. Perhaps such people are not aware, and indeed perhaps some of the students do not know that Trinity under the name of Washington College, was established as a liberal institution in opposition to Yale, which was at that time very conservative, that its Trustees represented the Congregational, Episcopalian, Methodist and Baptist denominations and that it was the first institution to establish a chair of Political Science, and Scientific and special courses. All that Trinity aims at and affords is a thorough liberal education. As most people know there are no professional or other schools connected with the College, nor are a majority of the students studying for any one

profession, as is sometimes asserted. We admit that Trinity has been conservative about some things. What was liberal sixty years ago is not so now. But the rapid improvements that have lately taken place and are about to take place, assure the future of the college.

How odd that the other false impression should be so opposite, namely, that Trinity is immoral. This statement is as erroneous as the other. Never was there a better atmosphere here in that regard. We will stake Trinity's morality against any other college in the land, except perhaps Wesleyan, and we vow it is more noble and healthier than theirs.

We trust that outsiders will neither have us for a school of divinity or a college of immortality; we are neither.

AT present when college administration is so important a factor in the progress and popularity of a college, it is with pleasure that we read any suggestions or ideas upon the subject.

W. T. Hewett, has in the October Atlantic an article on "University Administration," interesting to all students. We desire to present to our readers a few of the suggestions made by Mr. Hewett; showing the various ways in which our colleges are launched into existence, and administered, he has brushed away the film from our eyes when he says that unscientific administrations cripple the cause of sound learning, misdirects efforts; and those who teach, and those who receive instruction suffer the consequences of arbitrary methods, and a superficial philosophy." Proceeding we have presented to us in contrast the organization of American Colleges with those of England and Germany. Within the past few years the system of administration has somewhat been altered by allowing the Alumni to be represented upon the board of trustees. This marked change, although an improvement on the old system, and one to be thankful for, is in the essayist's opinion incomplete, the remedy we give in his words: "It is here advocated that the faculty of a college or of each school connected with a university, as that of law, medicine or divinity, should be the active and responsible governing body; that it should determine the character of the instruction and elect or nominate all professors and instructors, and should be the one unit of administration." The argument for this is, and it is a plausible one, that the faculty being in direct communication with the student necessarily know their needs better than trustees who live at a distance, and have other interests.

As regards the standing of a college, it without doubt "depends upon the reputation and ability of the men who are there called upon to give instruction," but the one great obstacle is, as we well-know, the "strictness with which appointments in minor colleges, have been limited to their own graduates." This course is opposite to that pursued by German Universities, which we know have world-wide reputations. Nothing can be more pertinent than the answer of Gruber to the questions as to how greatness in numbers might be obtained, and how the college might be distinguished? He says: "If the University of Gottingen is to be distinguished above others, its professorships must be bestowed upon the most distinguished and ablest men, who will attract a great number of students."

One other point, and of vital interest is the different values attached to the so-called like degrees. There can be no doubt but that all degrees should be equivalents for value given either in study or in original research in any branch of science, or art, and that only upon these conditions should degrees be bestowed. The country is flooded with degrees of "D. D." "LL.D." "Ph. D." "M. D." "M. A." etc., which, on account of their numbers, "are held in as light esteem as Baronetcies and Peerages were in the reign of James I, and have as much significance as the titles of colonel and captain in the Western States, or the various titles of the peripatetic Italians, who both grind our scissiors and make us grind our teeth while grinding out their ravishing music." Unity between the colleges in the bestowal of degrees is the desideratum and until this can be effected, degrees will never command proper respect. For all the suggestions we would advise our reader to peruse the article of Mr. Hewett.

"SKINNING."

In renewing acquaintance with college affairs, after many years of separation, my attention was attracted to a word which I am quite sure has come into use, and received a new application, since my college days. It appears at the head of this article. Curiosity led to inquiry as to its technical meaning. In Webster's Unabridged (new edition, *not in old*) it is defined: "To skin—1, to be covered with skin, as a wound skins over; 2, to produce, in recitation or other school exercise, the work of another for one's own," and it is surprising to read, "in colloquial use

in the schools and colleges of the United States." I am informed that it is largely in actual as well as in colloquial use.

The students in our colleges, as a body, pride themselves, if upon no other quality, upon manliness, frankness, nobility of character, truthfulness and honor. And they detest and vigorously denounce fraud, hypocrisy and meanness.

"Vice is a monster of so frightful mien,
As to be hated, needs but to be seen."

Let us examine this vice and get at the naked truth respecting it. "Skinning" is producing, in recitation or other school exercise, the work of another, *e.g.*, duplicate pages of text-books or the book itself, or one of the numerous astonishing inventions by which the necessity of study is obviated, "for one's own," or rather *as one's own*. The only single word in our language properly characterizing this is *fraud*, defined by the same Lexicographer as "deception, deliberately practised, with a view to gaining an unlawful or unfair advantage." Is it not a clean cut deception? Is it not practised with deliberation and an ingenuity worthy of a better cause? Is it not done to gain an unlawful or unfair advantage, a better grade of apparent scholarship than others, or to gain a sufficient apparent grade of scholarship to deceive the college authorities into granting a diploma of Bachelor in Arts, which can only mean, in truth, "bachelor" in frittering away working hours in social entertainments and "arts"—the arts only of deception and fraud. What student would degrade himself so much as to recite another's poem as his own, palm himself off as the author and secure the praise and emoluments? It is ignoble, unmanly, dishonest. It is a false pretense. It is of the same character as a forged check. It is base metal. It deserves the contempt of every magnanimous youth. It is a lie. It is senseless, also. The apparent advantage gained is a snare and a delusion.

The college diploma, like the decoration of the brave, is of no value unless worthily won. The college diploma is a representation that the holder has mastered the studies of the college curriculum; if he has not, every time he produces it, or suffers the fact of his graduation to be called to the attention of others, he practises a fraud upon the com-

munity, and should the realities of life apply to him an actual test of the scholarship which the diploma ought to endorse, how lamentable the failure. The greatest sufferer, moreover, by this fraud is the cheat himself. The whole purpose of his college life is frustrated. His intellect, habits of study, vigor of thought and power for life's work is weakened and seriously, if not irremediably, impaired. It is mental paralysis, moral debasement, suicide. His parents are deceived, cheated of their substance, cheated of their loving ambition and cherished hopes, cheated of their generous confidence, so cruelly abused. His college is dishonored; cheated of her witness to his scholarship; cheated of her good name; betrayed and humiliated by her own son. His classmates, who are too noble and to earnest too follow his shameful example, are cheated and defrauded of their lawful rank. He finds, after four years of the seed-time of life have been worse than wasted, that his scholarship is but a mere skin, and that over a festering, putrid wound which will never heal.

Would that the students of Trinity College would see this monster as it is; avoid it as a pestilence; detest it as it deserves; stamp it out as a venomous serpent; call it by its right name—fraud, infamous fraud—and remember always *noblesse oblige*, much is rightfully expected of one of high birth or station.

L. A. LOCKWOOD.

NEW YORK, October, 1882.

THE CLASSIC GRIND.

Sing I now a song of sorrow, sing I now a song of woe,
Sing I, in poetic measure, in a measure long and slow,
Of a youth whose learning brought him to the grave so
calm and still,
Where the morning breezes whisper, and the feathered
songsters trill.

He had searched for the Digamma, he had grubbed
long, hard and sore
In the dust of countless ages, for Greek roots that are
no more,
Sailed the boundless sea of Time, searching for I don't
know what,
Which had drifted from its moorings, which the learned
call the Iot.

He had trode by classic rivers, and on every classic
shore

Studied Hebrew, Sanscrit, Syriac, knew the Brahmin's
mystic lore,
Over Homer deep had pondered, turning dark night
into day,
Till his head cracked through the middle, and his learn-
ing flew away.

All his treasure! All his learning! All the drift and
waifs of time,
Which so carefully he'd collected, rubbing off the dirt and
grime.

Roots and stems, which he'd transplanted in his brain,
no fruit did bear,
For his head cracked through the middle, and they flew
out everywhere.

Late into the night he'd studied, morning's first beam
scant and thin,
Creeping through the window struggled with the faint
lamplight within.

Spouting forth some ancient Syriac, (which I won't at-
tempt to say,)

Fell he on the ground and fainted, in the dawn so cold
and gray.

There they found him in the morning, lying down upon
his back,

And no doctor could be found that could trepan his
mental crack.

He was spouting Chinese idioms in a tone so sweet and
calm,

That you'd think to hear him talking, he had suffered no
great harm.

But his madness was progressing, and his thoughts were
strangely bent,

For he thought himself Greek letters, written on a mon-
ument;

Made the letters with his body till the Theta hand he
tried,

Curled himself up in a double-square knot, gave one
long gasp, and died.

He was buried in the gloaming,—pray excuse this well-
ing tear—

And I ween full many a mourner, wept behind the
scholar's bier.

Buried where the violet blossoms, when the gentle spring
tide comes,

Where the little bird in summer sings, and the busy bee
loud hums.

Now all ye scholars listen, listen to this mournful tale,
And to extract my moral, I hope you will not fail.

Heed not the vain Digamma, and let the Iot be,

And from all Grecian roots and stems, as if deadly
poison flee.

THE next number of the TABLET will be
issued November 18th, 1882.

DELTA KAPPA EPSILON.

The thirty-sixth annual convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity was held at Providence, R. I., with the Upsilon Chapter, (Brown University), Oct. 18th and 19th, the headquarters being at the Naragansett House. Delegates were present from twenty-six chapters to the number of fifty-four, and were handsomely entertained on Tuesday evening by the representatives from the Beta Chapter (Columbia).

The business transacted was of a very important nature and occupied the greater part of two days. On Wednesday afternoon the University was visited and in the evening the convention in a body were invited to a lecture by Mr. Henry W. French.

The public exercises were held on Thursday evening the 19th, in Low's Grand Opera House, and were attended by a large and interested audience. Gen. Francis A. Walker, Sigma (Amherst) '60, presided, the oration being delivered by the Hon. Andrew J. Jennings, Upsilon (Brown) '72, a member of the Massachusetts Senate, the poem by the Rev. James I. Good, Rho (Lafayette) '72, and an address by Mr. John DeWitt Warner, Delta Chi (Cornell) '72, Secretary of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Council. Two songs written for the occasion, one by Prof. J. H. Gilmore of the Upsilon '58, now of Rochester University, the other by Mr. F. N. Luther, Upsilon '84, were received with great favor. At the close of the public exercises, an elaborate banquet which was attended by many of the alumni, was held at the Narragansett, songs and toasts following one another till early morning. Great credit is due the members of the Upsilon for the admirable manner in which all the arrangements were carried out and to their efforts is largely due the great success of this, the most important convention which the Fraternity has ever held. The delegates from Alpha Chi (Trinity) were S. D. Brewer '82, and Arthur H. Wright '83.

LAWN TENNIS.

After many unsuccessful attempts to meet Amherst upon the Tennis Field, Friday, Oct. 20th, was propitious enough to induce her teasers to beard the lion in his den and open the tournament upon a strange ground. The

players with a few ardent admirers and backers reached Amherst at 1.30 o'clock, and were hospitably entertained by Mr. Comstock, '83, at the very handsome Psi Upsilon Chapter House. After a substantial repast, and a short but enjoyable inspection of some of the beauties (neuter gender) of the village, clothed in all the splendor of Autumnal foliage, the contest opened at 2.45 P. M., upon the Chi Psi court with the singles between Kurtz, '83 of Trinity and Child '84, of Amherst. Kurtz played a beautiful game, remarkable for its steadiness, while Child seemed to become rather demoralized, although showing some excellent play especially in his returns. The end of the first set showed a score of 6-2 in favor of Trinity, and the few Trinityites who were spectators began to beam smiles upon the assembled multitude—much to the disgust of the latter. The second set was somewhat closer but Kurtz continued his steady play, scoring finely, and the result was highly satisfactory. Several fine rallies occurred in this set which were warmly applauded. Having now proved herself victorious in the singles, attention was turned to the doubles, with high hopes of doing equally well. But alas! the sequel proved otherwise. Owing to the lack of time the doubles were played simultaneously. Kurtz '83, Barnard '84, playing Wheeler '84 and Weeden '84 in the Chi Psi court, while Childs and Comstock '83 amused Trowbridge and Johnson in the Chi Phi court. The contest between the first mentioned teams was very interesting and toward the last very close and exciting.

The first set, the score, 6-0, was one-sided, our men hardly doing themselves justice, the dirt-court bothering them considerably, but in the second set they began to feel at home, and played a rattling game, the result, however, being still against us, viz. 6-5. The doubles in the Chi Phi Court were uninteresting, comparatively, our representatives having an off day. It is but just, however, to remark they were greatly annoyed by the height of the net which was several inches higher than those in the home courts. The scores were 6-2; 6-2 in favor of Amherst. The games were concluded at 4.30 P. M., and all felt that Trinity had no reason to be ashamed of its work. After more hospitality at the hands of our sister-collegians, the 6.10 P. M. train bore the crowd from the battle-ground on

which they had divided the honors, home being reached at 10 P. M.

It was arranged that the return games should be played, weather permitting, in Hartford, Wednesday, Oct. 25th. The day was all that could be desired, and the same may be said of the result. There was a good number of spectators, and much generous applause. The general play was superior to that at Amherst, and we confess to a preference for the grass-courts, although the Amherst men don't agree.

Space does not permit us to give as long an account of the contest as we would desire. Sufficient is it to say that Trinity played a splendid game, and defeated the Amherst players in both the single and double sets. Below is the complete score.

Singles—Kurtz 2s, Child 6-2, 6-4. Aces by service, 16, Child 13: Kurtz 43, Child 27.

First doubles—Kurtz and Brainard 2s, Wheeler and Weeden 6-5 6-2. Aces by service, Kurtz 11, Brainard 12, Wheeler 14, Weeden 10: by return, Kurtz 26, Brainard 30, Wheeler 21, Weeden 21.

Second doubles—Child and Comstock 2s, Johnson and Sedgwick 6-1, 6-0. Aces by service, Comstock 19, Child 9, Johnson 8, Sedgwick 5: by return, Comstock 18, Child 20, Johnson 15, Sedgwick 8.

Final game—Kurtz and Brainard 2s, Child and Comstock 6-1, 6-4. Aces by service, Kurtz 11, Brainard 12, Comstock 8, Child 11: by return, Kurtz 8, Brainard 18, Comstock 11, Child 10.

ATHLETIC MEETING.

The fourth annual field meeting of the Trinity College Athletic Association was held on the athletic grounds, Saturday, October 21st. The officers of the association are: President and Marshal, Arthur H. Wright, '83; Vice-President and Lieutenant, S. B. P. Trowbridge, '83; Secretary and Treasurer, Clarence M. Kurtz, '83; and the executive committee elected for the present year, consists of Messrs Wright, Greene, Purdy, Miller and Cameron.

The judges for the field meeting were Messrs. Wilmerding, '82, and Roosevelt, '83. Mr. Greene, '83, acted as starter, and Mr. Melrose as time keeper.

The first of the events was the three trial heats of the hundred yards dash, and the successful competitors were Messrs. Boardman,

Sedgwick and Miller. No time was taken in either of the trial heats.

The second contest on the order of events was putting the shot. Johnson succeeded in putting it 28 feet, 3 inches; Kurtz came in for second place with a record of 27 feet, 9 3-4 inches.

In the running broad jump, Johnson cleared 16 feet, 2 inches; Short being second, making a jump of 15 feet, 9 inches.

The hurdle race came next, and was perhaps the most interesting of all the events. There were three men started and they kept close together until near the finish. The distance was one hundred yards over ten hurdles. Johnson was the winner with a record of 19 1-2 seconds, Purdy making second place with 20 1-2 seconds as his time.

Kurtz threw the hammer 62 feet 8 1-2 inches; and Purdy, 50 feet 7 1-2 inches.

Sedgwick had a walk over in the half mile run in 2 minutes and 30 seconds.

The three-legged race was well run by Giesy and Thorne in 15 seconds. This is remarkably good time considering the poor condition of the running track.

But by far the best record of the day was made by Sedgwick who threw the base-ball 365 feet, 4 inches; Cameron threw the ball 313 feet, 6 in.

The 440 yards dash was close and exciting. Carter winning in 58 seconds; Thorne second, time not taken.

Purdy won the running high jump, clearing 4 feet, 10 inches; Short and Boardman both claiming second place, with a record of 4 feet, 9 inches.

The potato race was, to say the least, exceedingly amusing. Wright was the winner, and Giesy obtained second place; no time was taken.

Johnson won the standing broad jump, with an excellent jump of 9 feet, 11 1-2 inches; Heydecker made 9 feet, 9 inches.

The dash of 220 yards was won by Miller in 26 seconds; Purdy being second, with 28 seconds as his time.

Neely, '84, was the sole contestant for the prize in the wheel-barrow race, making one-seventh of a mile in one minute.

Johnson was successful in the hop, skip and jump, making 37 feet, 7 inches; Short, second, with a record of 34 feet, 9 inches.

Then came the final and deciding heat of the hundred yards dash. The three contestants kept close together most of the way, but towards the finish Sedgwick drew away from his adversaries, and came in a winner with a record of 12 seconds; Miller being second, time uncertain.

Boardman kicked the foot-ball 140 feet, 5 inches; Lobdell kicked it 136 feet, 9 inches.

The bicycle race was postponed.

Johnson took the standing high jump, making 4 feet, 2 inches; Purdy, second, with 4 feet as a record.

Cameron threw the cricket ball 287 1-2 feet; Johnson threw it 272 feet.

The pole vaulting was won by Purdy who made 7 feet, 6 inches; Child cleared 7 feet, 6 in.

The consolation race was won by Short in 17 1-2 seconds.

The tug of war between teams from the two lower classes, was well won by the Sophomores in 3 minutes.

The records on the whole were very good, considering the poor condition of the running track. There were present a good sized crowd, and the athletic field presented a lively appearance. The next field meeting of the Association will be held in the spring.

THE THEATER.

The lovers of the stage have almost every variety of entertainment to choose from now-a-days, and all can find their tastes gratified in the bill of fare spread by Manager Roberts. Next week opens with the ever-welcome Rip Van Winkle, over whom two generations have laughed and wept. Jefferson is here Monday, the 1st, don't forget it. Tuesday, Nov. 2d, the Vokes Family, who are also old favorites, appear in their familiar "Belles of the Kitchen," and a new piece entitled "Ruth's Remorse." Wednesday, Nov. 3d, the Miniature Opera Co., who gave three acceptable performances two weeks ago, appear in a remodelled version of "Pinafore." We trust that the remodeling will be thorough, as "Pinafore" pure and simple has a decidedly stale and fishy odor. For the following week three nights are again billed. Tuesday, Nov. 7th, Oliver Doud Byron appears in his sensational play "Across the Continent" which never fails to elicit tokens of delight from the upper gallery, Wednesday, Nov. 8th, comes Esmeralda, the latest Madison Square Theater success. This beautiful play, which, in its general character, may be compared to "Hazel Kirk," has been put upon the road with several companies from the Madison Square Theater, after a run of over a year at that house. A full house is a foregone conclusion. Thursday Nov. 10th, we have Gus Williams in his new play entitled "Our German Senator," in which he has made a great hit. All who enjoy the Dutch dialect done to perfection should take this in.

COLLEGE DIRECTORY.

JARVIS HALL.

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PARTING.

When he asked her but "yes" to his question to say,
She was a maiden quite winsome and gay.

All the long years in the light of his love,
She had fluttered her feathers, the dear little dove.
She had answered his glances and never said nay;

But in this last hour of his very last day,
When he asked her but "yes" to his question to say,

She said, looking up in his eyes just above,
"Why no, I could never, oh, never say that,"

And firmly but tenderly, passed him his hat.—*Ex.*

COMMUNICATIONS.

[Communications upon current topics are invited for this column. It is expected that they shall be written in a courteous tone. The writers full name, as well as his *nom de plume*, must accompany the article. The editors do not necessarily approve the opinions expressed.]

To the Editors of the Tablet :

Solomon of old said : " a whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back," but could he have been acquainted with the present time he might well have added " and demerit-marks for a college student."

On looking over the regulations we find that seventy-two demerit marks will cause the suspension of a student. These can be obtained in a variety of ways, but the never failing source is absence from chapel, and tardiness or unexcused absence from church. Looking at the case of the present Freshman class, we see that the members need but twenty-two more demerit marks to cause their suspension. These marks by tardy attendance or absence at church for three Sundays will bring the fifty marks already placed against their names to sixty-eight, and if by some misfortune one happens to miss chapel twice, his sixty-eight will be increased to seventy-five and then he has to suffer the penalty of suspension. Can failure to attend chapel or church be so heinous a misdemeanor as to be visited by suspension? Yet one can be suspended by so simple a way. The justice of the rule is a mystery.

It may be said that the case is extreme as just stated, let us see if it be so. Twelve tardy attendances at Church in a term would not be at all improbable, and this would be sufficient to cause suspension. Eight A. M. is as early as any one desires to rise Sunday morning, and when one has performed his toilette and taken breakfast there is scarcely time enough left to get to church before service begins. Again a student may be absent from chapel a few times, and these added to tardy attendances at church will soon bring up his demerit marks to the number requisite for suspension. Now suspension has always attached to it the idea of some wrong doing, some flagrant act, some break of decorum, some open opposition to the laws, either of the land or college, yet through nothing but tardiness and want of punctuality, through forgetfulness, or some other inherent defect, a student may incur the disgrace of suspension.

The inference we desire to be drawn is obvious and palpable. In closing we would wish to thank the Editors for the use of their columns.

AN OPPONENT TO PROCRUSTANISM.

PERSONALS.

[It is particularly desired that the Alumni furnish us with all items of interest that may come to their knowledge concerning every one who has been connected with the College.]

RUSSELL, '34. Gurdon W. Russell, M. D., is spending the winter in Europe.

WELLS, '64. The address of the Rev. L. H. Wells is Willimantic, Conn.

LEWIS, '65. The address of the Rev. W. H. Lewis, is Meadville, Crawford County, Penn.

HAMERSLEY, '57. Married at Saybrook, Conn., October 25th, William Hamersley and Miss Jennie Allen.

HARRIMAN, '72. Married, in Trinity Church, Portland, Conn., October 19th, the Rev. F. W. Harriman and Miss Cora E. Jarvis.

WARNER, '72. Married in Lakeville, Conn., October 11th, Donald T. Warner and Miss Hattie Wells.

BOWLES, '73. The address of R. H. Bowles, Jr., is Medina, N. Y., instead of Lyme, Conn.

WORTHINGTON, '75. The Rev. E. W. Worthington has accepted an election to the rectorship of the parish in Mount Morris, N. Y.

McKENNAN, '76. The office of John D. McKennan, is 100 Diamond St., Pittsburgh, Penn.

LYMAN, '78. A. J. Lyman has lately removed to Ashville N. C., and is there engaged upon several large business enterprises.

WILSON, '79. The address of the Rev. D. B. Wilson is Bradford, Pa., instead of Branford, as it appeared in the last TABLET.

McIVOR, '82. N. W. McIvor ranks among the first four in the superior court of the Thayer Club, in the Harvard Law School.

HUNTINGTON, '83. J. W. Huntington has been obliged to discontinue studies at Stiven's Institute and upon his recovery will likely rejoin his class at Trinity.

OBITUARY.

LONG, '43. The Rev. Wm. Long a graduate in the class of 1843, died at Oneida, N. Y., on the 3rd instant, aged 65.

HEWITT, '77. Stephen Germain Hewitt, a graduate in the class of 1877, died at his home in Burlington, N. J., October 12th, aged 27 years. Mr. Hewitt was prevented by failing health from finishing the course of theological study at the Berkeley Divinity School upon which he entered after graduation here; but he was able to do much faithful service as a parish worker.

COLLEGE AND CAMPUS.

Athletics are booming.

'86 has a prestidigitateur.

Tablet subscriptions are due.

Senior Critiques due Nov. 13.

Subscription papers are numerous.

The gymnasium will shortly receive much needed repairs.

'83 has lately discovered among their number an able cornetist.

A number of students have joined the Hartford Social Club.

A number of Trinity men have joined the Hosmer Hall Choral Union.

The subject of the last Senior theme, was "The Nature of the Philosophic Doubt."

A considerable number of upper classmen intend voting in the coming state election.

Senior, (gazing intently at the comet.)—"How glad I am to have studied Botany."

There will be two more numbers of the TABLET published by the present board.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Quintard of Tennessee, preached in Christ Church, last Sunday.

Dr. Bolton has just completed a course of lectures to the Seniors on Galvanic Electricity.

W. S. Short and A. H. Wright of the Senior class, are the chapel monitors this year.

A challenge has been received from the tennis club of Waterbury. It has not been accepted as yet.

A portion of the Glee Club gave an impromptu serenade on Thursday night. Call again, gentlemen.

The Lawn Tennis Club has challenged Yale for a series of games to be played during the coming week.

E. S. Beach, '83, who has been on the staff of the Hartford *Courant* since last June, will shortly rejoin his class.

The prizes awarded to the winners in the field meeting consisted of white ribbons handsomely printed in green letters.

A game of base ball was played yesterday afternoon between '85 and '86, as we go to press the result has not been determined.

The cane offered by the Athletic Association for the largest number of prizes won by a single contestant, has been awarded to F. E. Johnson, '84.

There were 136 entries for the field meeting, the four classes being represented as fol-

lows: Seniors, 33; Juniors, 43; Sophmores, 25; Freshmen, 35.

Dr. C. D. Scudder, '75, of New York, who was appointed special lecturer on Physiology last commencement, delivered three lectures to the Freshmen, last week, on Hygiene.

Miss Society, (idly turning her music) "Do you know 'When the Leaves begin to fall'?" Fresh. (thoughtfully) "Why yes, generally along in the first two weeks of October. It depends somewhat on the weather."

Prof.—"Mr. F. does dew fall?"

Mr. F.—"No sir, it is due to radiation." Restoratives called for.

Mr. A.—"Professor could *potest* be used in this sentence?"

Prof.—"No sir, as Ariovistus is about to trash Cæsar, here you should use *licuit*."

Unsatisfactory. Junior to Freshman, as they stroll along the street at mid-night—"How wonderful are the heavens! Only think it takes thousands of years for the light from some of those dim stars to reach us."

Philosophic Freshman—"Yes, but I say, suppose a ray of light has just started from one of those stars, and after it has traveled a thousand years to reach the earth, suppose the earth to be suddenly annihilated; what a terrible disappointment not to find the earth, after all! Or, suppose an astronomer traces up a ray of light and finds no star, but only a hole at the end of it, the star having "gone out" a thousand years before. How unsatisfactory that would be!"

Utter collapse of Junior.

A trial rehearsal of the Glee Club was held Thursday evening, under the direction of Prof. H. W. Greene of New Haven. The result was highly satisfactory and proves that we possess an abundance of good material, which needs only thorough training and faithful practice, for its development. It has been decided to retain Prof. Greene as regular instructor. He will give the club a thorough training preparatory to a series of concerts to be given near the close of the term. The club at present contains seventeen members, as follows: Seniors, J. E. Brown, R. E. Burton, J. R. Carter, E. L. Dockray, George Greene, W. S. Short, S. B. P. Trowbridge, and A. H. Wright; Juniors, G. H. Hills, F. E. Johnson, and G. E. Magill; Sophomores, F. D. Lobdell, William McCracken, S. S. Mitchell, and A. D. Neely; Freshmen, L. G. Cameron, and W. H. Boardman.

EXCHANGES.

Most people will acknowledge the worth of College journalism when properly conducted, but there is such a thing as carrying it too far. The establishment of too many papers in one College is a detriment, but worse than this by far is the publishing of Class journals. They generally prove to be libeling scurrulous sheets and *The Eighty Five* from Berkely, Cal. proves no exception. It seeks to promote class feeling which most people will acknowledge is a detriment; it also declares the length of its existence. We have very seldom seen one of its kind last a year.

Another new face greets us and one which has more of an excuse and a right for its existence. It is the *Wheelman* in pamphlet form and nicely edited. We advise all those who are at all interested in this noble and fascinating sport to subscribe.

At last the Harvard *Echo* has succumbed in accordance with last year's universal prediction that the University was not large enough to support two dailies.

The Yale *News* is better than ever. It is a model college daily.

There seems to exist the same relation between journals where there are more than one in a college, The *Argo* still leads the *Athenæum* by a good distance, the *Spectator* the *Acta*, the *Courant* the *Record*, the *Advocate*, the *Crimson*, etc.

DOINGS AT OTHER COLLEGES.

DARTMOUTH.

The income of the college paid its expenditures the past year—the first time in twenty-two years.

Dartmouth has turned over its college government to a committee on discipline consisting of four Seniors, three Juniors, two Sophomores and one Freshman.

The following are some of the records made in a late field-day contest. Throwing hammer, 62ft 6½ ins. Hundred yard dash, 11 sec. Putting the shot, 31 ft. 9 ins. Hop skip and jump, 40 ft. ½ in. 220 yards run, 26½ sec. Half-mile run, 21 min. 20 sec.

HARVARD.

Fourteen young ladies have passed the entrance examinations at the Annex.

A school has been opened in New York for the preparation of women for the Annex.

Harvard is to have a man at a fixed salary in its gymnasium to see that the boys do not injure themselves.

The Faculty appointed a committee to act with the student committees in regard to athletics. Professional training is to be done away with, and some former Harvard athlete employed as a trainer.

PRINCETON.

Professor Young, of Princeton, was elected President of the American Association of Science.

Dr. McCosh speaks out boldly in a letter to the N. Y. *Times* on the duty of colleges, through their students and professors, throwing their influence on the side of civil service reforms in politics.

WILLIAMS.

The Faculty have a private tennis court and play enthusiastically.

It is probable that Williams College will dispense with "the Valedictory and Salutatory orations."

The two literary societies have resolved themselves into a Congress, one to act as Senate and the other as the House. Bills are to be presented, referred to committees, debated, etc.: in fact, nearly all the routine business of the National Legislature will be imitated. It is not stated, however, whether any River and Harbor Bills will be passed, or whether "voluntary contributions" will be levied on the janitor.

YALE.

Mr. Louis K. Hull has been re-elected captain of the University crew.

Seven of the last year's Yale crew will probably row on next year's crew.

Last year's stroke will probably be used again in the New London race by the Yale eight.

We offer a prize foot-ball for the best smart evasion of the playing rules this year. *Courant*.

Mr. Hamilton, '85, has made the fastest time on a bicycle of any college man on record.

The Law School hereby challenges the Medical School to a game of base-ball for a keg of beer, at the earliest possible date.—*News*.

The Yale Yacht Club has just indulged in its annual regatta. Nine yachts were entered, and an exciting race was the result.

The heliometer now in place at Yale was made in Germany at a cost of nearly \$8,000, and is the finest in existence. The scale of the instrument is graduated to one and five hundred thousands of an inch. It will be used in observations of the transit of Venus.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Geneva College requires of its students attendance upon Sabbath School.

The Western College Press Association is to maintain a column and a half in the Chicago *Inter-Ocean* each week.

Freshmen at Eastern Colleges: Harvard, 284; Yale, 247; Princeton, 178; Cornell, 119; University of Pennsylvania, 108; Brown, 82; Amherst, 81; Lafayette, 76; Williams, 68; Beloit, 30; Syracuse, 80.

In the college games the past season, Brown had the best batting average, .295, and Princeton the best fielding, .831. The best fielders in their respective positions were; pitcher, Harris, Amherst; catcher, Hubbard, Yale; 1 b., Hopkins, Yale; 2 b., Parker, Dartmouth; 3 b., Harlan, Princeton; s. s., Cushman, Dartmouth; 1. f., Clark, Princeton; c. f., Smith, Yale; r. f., Durfee, Brown.

There has been formed an Association of Collegiate Alumnæ among the female graduates of Oberlin, Cornell, Michigan University, Boston University, Wisconsin University, Wellesly, Smith and Vassar. Its object is to unite Alumnæ of different institutions for practical educational work, and any woman who has received a degree in arts, philosophy, science, or literature from any college which may be approved by vote of the Executive Committee, is entitled to membership. Mrs. J. F. Bashford, University of Wisconsin, has been elected President, and Miss. F. M. Cushing, Vassar, Vice-President.

President Allen of Girard College died August 28th.

Lehigh University opened up with only 82 new students.

The University of California has 487 students in attendance this.

The University of Mississippi has opened all its departments to women.

Trinity School at Tivoli-on-the-Hudson, offers a prize of \$100 to every graduate who enters Yale or Harvard without condition.

Edinburgh University has 3,237 students this year.

Brown University opened this term with a large attendance of students. The Freshman class contains about ninety men.

In the year before the war, it is said, that North Carolina university ranked next to Harvard in the number of its undergraduates.

A recent convention of French school-boys, presided over by Victor Hugo, demanded the abolition of examinations and of the marking system.

Of the 1,058 students in the Universities of Switzerland, only 113 study theology, and 158 law. The growing tendency to avoid these professions is noticeable in all the Universities of Europe.

Girard College is to have a complete machine shop, with a work bench, forge and gas engine for each of the ninety pupils in practical mechanics.—*Bx.*

NOTES AND CLIPPINGS.

ROBBERY.

In childhood days, ere yet she knew
The words of gifts, she'd freely take
The presents—sweetmeats, toys and such—
He offered her, for friendship's sake.

In later years when older grown,
Quite different things she took, like this:
His arm at parties,—hat and stick
Whene'er he called,—perhaps, a kiss.

In turn, she took his purse, his time,
His love, this thievish dame.
Not then, it seems, was she content:
For last of all she took—his name.—*Lampoon.*

Snitkins wrote to his father, who's farmin' out West, that he was very busy with his annuals, and the old man wrote back that he "wants to be mighty keerful 'bout what kin' of seed he bo't.—*Harvard Herald.*

He was an '85 man, she, a blooming college widow. He writes to his father announcing his engagement. The reply:

MY DEAR SON:—Accept my heartiest congratulations. I was engaged to the same Miss. Bunter when I was in college, and can appreciate the fun you are having. Go it while you are young.

Your loving father,
Augustus DeForest.—*Athenæum.*

"I'm the light of this menagerie," said the tapir when the other beasts wanted to put him out.—*Princetonian*.

"What did you say the conductor's name was?" "Glass—Mr. Glass." "Oh, no!" "But it is." "Impossible—it can't be." "And why not, pray?" "Because, sir, glass is a non-conductor." Deafening applause from the scientific passengers.—*Ex.*

When shaking hands, remove your-glove;

Don't let your soup-plate—fall;

And never attempt Platonic—love

At a simple evening—call.—*Society Ed. of Tiger.*

THE "SCOOP" WALTZ.

One, two, and away, with a chassée gay,
How easy it looks to learn—

A gentle glide and a dexterous scoop,
A sidelong swing with a graceful droop,
A reverse and a dizzy turn.

A trip, a slip, and a smothered rip,
And a wee that follows fast;
A little hole in the treacherous crash,
A fruitless grab while the bric-a-brac smash,
And the agony is past. —*Tiger.*

Freshman to barber, in whose chair he is now comfortably settled: "I say, what do you charge for a shave?" Ebony wielder of the edge tool; "Fifteen cents sar." Freshman: "No reduction for the trade?" Blinking ebonette: "No sar." Then the Freshman gathered about him his mantle, and with tread stately and sublime sought another shop.—*Yale News.*

A SUMMER-DAY'S SPORT.

A POEM IN TWO CANTOS.

Canto I.

Boy,
Gun,
Joy,
Fun.

Canto II.

Gun,
Bust,
Boy,
Dust.

—*Ex.*

The Freshmen now go out,
The Sophs. begin to pray, (?)
And those who fear the Faculty
Had better keep out of the way. —*Argus.*

Mrs. A. "So Harry is at college now?"

Mrs. B. "Yes, and he writes that he enjoys it immensely. He has been elected leader of the cricket foot-ball crew, captain of the athletic glee-club nine, and goal keeper of the boating team. He says that he expects to be a J. O. next year, but I am determined that he shall not join one of those wicked Greek-letter fraternities."

Mrs. A. "Quite right, decidedly not, decidedly not."—*Tiger.*

MUSIC.

When the heart is overflowing,
Now with sorrow, now with joy,
And its fullness mocks our showing,
Like a spell that words destroy:

When the soul is all devotion,
Till its rapture grows a pain,
And to free the pent emotion
Even prayer's wings spread in vain:

Then but one relief is given:
Not a voice of mortal birth,
But a language born in heaven,
And in mercy lent to earth:

Lent to consecrate our sighing,
Shed a glory on our tears,
And uplift us without dying
To the Vision-circled spheres.—*Archangel.*

BOOK NOTICE

The Atlantic Monthly for October is unusually full and varied. Tastes of all kinds can be suited. For relishes we have "Two on a Tower" and "The House of a Merchant Prince." For soup we have "Among the Sabine Hills" quite palatable, but made too thick by the numerous quotations from Horace. For fish we have "Studies in the South" and "The Nation of the Willows." For a Roast we have "University Administration," which on account of its solidity needs to be well masticated before it can be digested: for a salad we have "An English Interpreter" well seasoned and prepared, and "Mrs. Somersham," we find to be a nut brought in uncracked with the dessert. The reviews on "The Red Man and The White Man" and "The Salon of Madame Ricker" may well answer the purposes of knife and fork, while "The Contributor's Club" furnishes us with some delicious sweet-meats. For wines we have "Storm on Lake Asynom," "Cicada," "Fallow," "Pilgrim's Isle" and "A Shadow Boat," which will satisfy any connoisseur. The whole is a well arranged menu for the mind.